

MANY HOSPITAL NEEDS ARE CITED BY PHYSICIANS

New Buildings and Better Food for Tuberculosis In- stitution Urged.

MANAGEMENT PRAISED

Additional Officers Are Suggested
After Denial of Charges
of Uncleanliness.

IMPROVEMENTS URGED.

Additional quarters for the ad-
ministrative officer, and patients
suffering from the disease in its
incubent form, with an assembly
hall for recreation purposes.

The discontinuance of the use
of cold storage eggs and "but-
terine."

A larger ice box for use in sum-
mer.

The appointment of a skilled
dietician in place of the cook now
in charge.

The appointment of an assist-
ant resident physician and an in-
crease in pay for servants.

While declaring its entire confidence in
the present management of the Tubercu-
losis Hospital, the committee of ex-
perts appointed three weeks ago by Gen.
George M. B. Smith, to make a report to
the subcommittee of Congress now in-
vestigating the institution, recommends
many radical changes in its conclusions,
which were made public yesterday after-
noon.

Radical Changes Asked.

The appointment of a skilled dietician,
the abolition of the use of "butterine,"
which patients have found unpalatable,
and the substitution of butter; increased
appropriations for separate quarters for
the administration of the hospital; the
construction of outbuildings for
incident cases, and an assembly hall,
to be used as a recreation ground, are
some of the recommendations which the
committee urged. Additionally, it is
stated that Congress allow an appropri-
ation sufficiently large to permit the pur-
chase of fresh eggs throughout the en-
tire year.

Those members of the committee who
signed the report are Dr. William C.
Tayman, chairman, in charge of tubercu-
losis work at the Georgetown University
Hospital; Dr. Jesse H. Harnsburger, phy-
sician in charge of the dispensary of the
Association for the Prevention of Tubercu-
losis; Dr. Ryan Devereux, acting director
of the St. James Sanatorium for Tubercu-
losis; Isabel H. Strong, superintendent
of tuberculous nurses; and Walter
E. Ford, secretary of the Association for
the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

Refutes Mrs. McCormick.

In its opening paragraphs the report
explains that the investigation was caused
by the "newspaper publicity" given to
criticism of the hospital, which, of course,
relates to the charges made by Mrs.
McDonald McCormick. The report absolutely
refutes Mrs. McCormick's assertion that
there was a serious lack of cleanliness
about the place and declares that "only
a few subordinate cases of neglect" were
found. It points out that with an increase
of pay the hospital might be allowed to
hire better servants.

The investigation was ordered with a
view to reporting on four subjects, which
continued on page 10, column 6.

BOY LED TO SCHOOL BY COURT OFFICER

Joseph Nalley, twelve years old, of 66
H street northeast, who, when arraigned
before the juvenile court on a charge of
truancy last week, charged his teacher
with beating him with a riding whip, was
led to school yesterday by John H.
Dillon, chief probation officer of the
tribunal.

Joseph failed to appear at school
Thursday morning, and Mrs. Edna
Keene Busher, trustee of the school, was
at once notified. Mrs. Busher later re-
ported the fact to the juvenile court, and
an investigation was ordered. Late
Thursday night Joseph W. Sanford, as-
sistant probation officer, called at the H
street residence to learn the cause of
Joseph's absence from his class at the
Gales school.

The youngster told Mr. Sanford that
his shoes were rather worn, and that he
was too proud to go to school in them.
Early yesterday morning Mr. Dillon made
a visit to the youngster's home. Just as
the probation officer placed his foot on
the first step of the porch Joseph came
out of the house. Mr. Dillon took him
by the hand and escorted him to the
Gales school.

Prince to Take Up Aero.

Paris, March 29.—The prince of Wales,
while in Paris, will devote his attention to
aeronautical matters. It is thought he will
initiate him in the practice of aviation
under the tutelage of some of the French ex-
perts.

Hunt All Night for Minister.

New York, March 29.—After proposing
at midnight supper, Charles Gilbert
Nichols, Jr., was married to Miss Mary
Beatrice Miller seven hours later. The
couple had to hunt all night for a min-
ister.

Fires Temperance Deputy.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., March 29.—Be-
cause he interfered with the other deputy
sheriffs who drank, William H. B. Orr,
a temperance worker, has been removed
by Sheriff John E. Townsend.

Smith's Easter Plans.

Washington and New York.
Lovers of flowers will find it interesting
and profitable to visit Smith's conserva-
tories, R. I. ave. and 32nd st. on Satur-
day, Sunday, or Monday, after which time
these plants will be displayed at Smith's
stores, 15th and H and 16th and G ave.

TAFT WILL SPEAK IN PHILADELPHIA

President Taft will leave Washington
this afternoon for Philadelphia, where he
will speak to-night before the Ohio Society
and the chamber of commerce. He will
return to Washington to-morrow morn-
ing.

The President yesterday returned to
Congress without his approval two House
resolutions, one providing a commission
to report upon the advisability of es-
tablishing a permanent army maneuver
ground at Annapolis, Md., and the other
authorizing the sale of burned timber on
public lands.

MESSENGER LOST WITH TRUST SUIT

The Department of Justice intended to
file an important suit under the Sherman
anti-trust law in New York yesterday,
but its plans miscarried.

A messenger bearing copies of the pe-
tition left here on the midnight train
Thursday night to deliver them to U. S.
District Attorney Wines, who was to
file the suit late yesterday afternoon in
the Federal court for the Southern dis-
trict of New York.

MUSEUM OFFERED COLUMBUS MEDAL

The Commissioners yesterday offered to
the Smithsonian Institution, through
Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the in-
stitution, a gold medal issued by the mu-
nicipal government of Buenos Ayres, Ar-
gentine Republic, to the District Commis-
sioners in commemoration of the four
hundredth anniversary of the discovery
of America by Columbus.

The medal was transmitted to the Com-
missioners by George N. Williams, of
Ayres, on October 12, 1902. The medal
is two inches in diameter and a
fraction of an inch thick. Since its re-
ception at the District Building it has
been in the possession of the collector
of taxes, Mr. W. H. Brown, who in their
letter to Mr. Walcott state that there
is no suitable place at the District Build-
ing to keep the medal.

WIFE HIRES MAN TO THRASH HUSBAND

Seattle, Wash., March 29.—The follow-
ing advertisement appeared in the "Help
Wanted" column of an afternoon paper
yesterday:

"WANTED—A man to thrash a wife-
beater. His reward: easy work. Mrs. R.
GILLIES, 1230 1st ave. S. E. If you
know of a man who will do this work
after the paper was on the street, the
first applicant was a little fellow, and
Mr. Gillies sent him away. The second,
a big, husky youth, said it would be
pleasure to do the work for \$5. Mr.
Gillies engaged him at once, and gave
him instructions. Her husband must not
be permanently disabled, or disabled,
but must be slapped, choked, knocked
down, and rolled on the floor.

When Robert Bent Gillies, formerly a
water-fitter, returned home late in
the afternoon Mrs. Gillies and her
beater" were waiting for him. Mrs.
Gillies, telling the story to-day, said her
husband's work was so excellent that
she compelled him to take the full 10
cents.

Gillies could not be seen to-day. He
is fifty-three years of age, and his wife
is thirty-five. They have been mar-
ried ten years. Before Mrs. Gillies
Mr. Gillies had complained to the mayor,
chief of police, and prosecuting attorney
without satisfactory results, she says.

DOG KILLS CHILD WHO ANNOYED IT

When Woman Tries to Save Girl, Feroocious Newfoundland Attacks Her.

Chicago, March 29.—Stooping in child-
ish fearlessness to pet a Newfoundland
dog, which was gnawing a bone, Anna
De Calvo, three years old, was fatally
injured to-day at the home of Mrs. Lena
Solomon, 1002 West Eleventh street, when
the feroocious animal attacked her.

In spite of Mrs. Solomon's frantic
and heroic efforts, during which she was
twice knocked down by the dog, which
pursued her across the yard and tried to
tear down the door of a shed in which
she took refuge, the little victim bled to
death before the animal could be driven
away and a physician summoned. The
child's throat had been terribly lacerated
and her head crushed by the jaws of
the enraged dog.

Anna's mother had left her little daugh-
ter with neighbors while she went to her
work in a tailor shop. The child had
gone to the Solomon home to play with
Mrs. Solomon's three children.

Gary, Ind., March 29.—A vicious New-
foundland dog this afternoon attacked
and literally scalped Frank, the four-
year-old son of F. W. Yates. Near by
residents armed themselves with shot
guns and killed the animal.

STANDING OF CANDIDATES.

The standing of the Presiden-
tial candidates last night, ac-
cording to the latest information
received at the respective head-
quarters, was as follows:

Republicans.
Delegates in convention.....1,076
Necessary to choose.....539
Claimed for Taft.....274
Instructed for Roosevelt.....255
Claimed for Taft.....78
Instructed for Roosevelt.....31
Instructed for La Follette.....19
Instructed for Cummins.....2

Democrats.
Delegates in convention.....1,092
Necessary to choose.....546
Instructed for Clark.....65
Instructed for Wilson.....10
Instructed for Gov. Marshall.....30

MINERS GO OUT TO-DAY; STRIKE SEEMS CERTAIN

Anthracite Field Workers to Quit Work on Sus- pension Order.

CALL MASS MEETINGS

Matter Will Be Submitted to Men for Referendum Vote Next Week.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 29.—President
John P. Wills' order for a suspension
of all work in the anthracite fields on
April 1 found the miners prepared, and
as a unit they will walk from the cham-
bers to-morrow afternoon ready to stand
by the national leaders and fight out
their demands with the operators.

More than 10,000 men have already left
the collieries and will not take advantage
of the opportunity to get in the last day.
The suspension order is considered by
the miners to mean strikes. It is exactly
what they have been preparing for. The
matter of submitting the strike situation
to a referendum vote means that the
miners will stand to a man and vote for
strikes.

The defense forces upon the organiza-
tion has no changed conditions that a
mere wage concession could restore
peace. The feeling everywhere prevails
that the question of recognition must be
definitely decided upon in the meantime.
The miners are ready to enter a struggle
for the purpose of deciding this issue.

Have Been Preparing.

The suspension order does not create
the fear that might be expected. Miners
and their families have been preparing
for a strike and appear happy. They are
well supplied with provision and union
leaders are in plenty of money
available for a long struggle.

Coal companies are prepared to look
after their interests. The large concern
to-day decided that their clerical force,
which has been in the hands of the
order to get into overalls and do work
about the collieries. This order has
caused some disgust among the clerks,
but if they do not report at the col-
lieries they will be forced to quit their
positions.

The whole hard coal section is alive
with guards and strikebreakers. They
have been shipped to the districts by
the hundreds. The coal companies do not
deny the fact that they will look to the
State constabulary, whose organization
the miners have termed the coal com-
panies' "cops," for assistance in their
struggle.

The national and district leaders are
expected to arrive here early in the
week. They will call the men together
in meetings and make arrangements
hastily made for the referendum vote
which will decide definitely whether the
miners are to strike. The leaders have
urged the men to be quiet and are tak-
ing such steps as are necessary to as-
sure peace in the district.

The Lehigh Valley was first to take
notice of the order.

Orders were issued here to cut down
train crews and reduce shop forces by
half. The order will throw at least 200
men out of employment.

FEDERATION OF LABOR WILL SUPPORT MINERS

President Gompers, of the American
Federation of Labor, yesterday gave
the first intimation that the Federa-
tion would support the members of the
United Mine Workers if the strike is
called next week. He also said the
Federation is aiding in the negotia-
tions for an amicable settlement of the
threatened labor war.

"The Federation is doing all in its
power to avert a strike of the coal
miners, and I am hopeful that an am-
icable settlement can be reached," said
President Gompers. "But if trouble
cannot be avoided, I feel quite sure
that the miners will have the support
of organized labor. I hope and believe
the mine operators will continue nego-
tiations with the miners and go the
limit in attempting an honorable
agreement mutually satisfactory."

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"Fiddling Bob"

Taylor Is Dying In Hospital Here

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"Senator Taylor is growing weaker,"
said Dr. Harrison Crook, attending phy-
sician, at 1:30 o'clock this morning. "He
probably will live until morning, but
his condition is extremely critical. Un-
less some unforeseen change takes place
the end seems near at hand. It was
thought that the operation for gall stones
would relieve the condition of the pa-
tient, but such has not been the case.
There has been no relief. Instead, the
condition of the Senator has become
worse."

Dr. Crook remained with Senator Tay-
lor at the hospital all night, resorting to
every possible means known to medical
science to lengthen the life of the pa-
tient. Mrs. Taylor, wife of the Sena-
tor, likewise remained at the bedside dur-
ing the night. Mrs. Taylor has been
constantly at the bedside of "Fiddling
Bob" since he was taken sick about two
weeks ago.

Senator Taylor was taken to Providence
Hospital from his apartments in the
St. Elizabeth Court late Wednesday night.
Early Thursday morning he was operated
on by Dr. Crook.

22.50 Southern Railway, 22.50.
Washington, D. C., to Nashville, Tenn.,
and return, account fourth annual con-
vention Southern Commercial Congress.
April 1-5. Corresponding low round-
trip fares from points in Virginia and the
South.

The only line operating through sleep-
ing car between Eastern cities and Nash-
ville.

YOUNG SANDOW STEALS A SEWING MACHINE

A thief who must be endowed
with the strength of a Randow
entered the home of Miss Mary
Sylvester, 42 G street southwest,
yesterday while she was absent
and carried away a sewing ma-
chine on his back. The machine
was taken, Miss Sylvester be-
lieves an supplementary loot, be-
cause of the lack of a large sum
of money in the house. He got
but \$5 in cash.

TAFT WILL BEAT HIS 1908 RECORD

McKinley Declares Records Show Him to Be Stronger Now Than Then.

KANSAS VOTE PLEASES

Representative McKinley, manager of
the Taft bureau here, issued a statement
last night, claiming the renomination
of President Taft at the Chicago conven-
tion on June 18 next by a larger ma-
jority than he received four years ago,
when he received 72 votes on the first
ballot. Mr. Taft is stronger to-day with
the rank and file of the Republican
party, Mr. McKinley declared, than he
was four years ago.

Leads 1908 Record Now.

"On the 28th day of March, 1908," Mr.
McKinley said, "William Howard Taft
had 186 delegates to the Republican na-
tional convention at Chicago instructed
for or pledged to his candidacy for Pres-
ident. The combined opposition, includ-
ing all uninstructed delegates, most of
whom voted for him at Chicago, had 82
votes, and 11 delegates were contested."

"To-day Mr. Taft has 24 delegates to
the Republican national convention at
Chicago, either instructed for or pledged
to his candidacy for renomination for a
second term, while the combined oppo-
sition, including all uninstructed dele-
gates, has only forty-two votes, and
there are only twelve contested dele-
gates. No more striking indisputable
proof of his party has ever before been
given any President than this."

Has Gained with Voters.

"In 1908 Mr. Taft received 72 votes on
the first ballot in the Chicago conven-
tion. The indications now are that he will
greatly exceed this number in June. In
November, 1908, when running against
William J. Bryan, the most popular
Democratic candidate for the Presidency
in more than a generation, Mr. Taft re-
ceived 4,000,000 votes in the entire coun-
try, which was 16,000 more than Mr.
Roosevelt received in 1904 over Alton B.
Parker, notwithstanding the fact that
Mr. Bryan's vote in 1904 exceeded Mr.
Parker's vote in 1904 by 1,322,232. The
weakness of Parker contributed in no
small measure to the Roosevelt vote in
1904, but the strength of Taft broke the
record in 1908, as it will in 1912."

Leavenworth Primary Pleases.

The Taft managers were gratified at
the result of the primary held at Leaven-
worth, Kan., where 110 Taft delegates
were elected as compared with 15 for
Col. Roosevelt. This is the first direct
primary held in the State of Kansas,
and is supposed to favor the renomi-
nation of Col. Roosevelt. Gov. Stubbs,
of Kansas, is one of the leading Roose-
velt boomers, and signed the joint let-
ter asking the colonel to become a candi-
date.

A similar report was received from
Dallas County, Tex., where the Repub-
lican executive committee voted 15 to 1
in favor of President Taft. This is the
first county committee meeting to be
held in Texas, and according to the Taft
managers indicates that President Taft
is stronger in that State than has been
generally supposed.

"ART TRUST" THE LATEST.

New York, March 29.—The latest
in an art trust according to a cablegram
from Rome, where J. Pierpont Morgan
is staying, the great financier is preparing
to organize such a monopoly.

DYING EARLY TO-DAY.

Before he was lodged in the tiny brick
cell, where Claude still remains, Capt.
Feltz allowed the newspaper correspond-
ents to talk with him. The boy spoke
freely about everything, and his own
actions in the courthouse the day of
the tragedy. On this subject his father had
warned him not to speak.

The boy set down calmly in Mr. Feltz's
room in the Texas Hotel to tell his story,
unembarrassed by the presence of detec-
tives and newspaper correspondents.

"I left Hillville alone and stayed that
night at a relative's home and Uncle Sid,
Wesley, and I left together next day and
went into the mountains. Wesley had
two pistols, one Colt's .38 and a Smith
& Wesson .32. My uncle has a .38 pistol
and a Winchester pump gun firing six
shots."

Save Detectives Raid.

"We were harbored at various places
during the first two days in the neigh-
borhood of Fancy Gap. Saturday night,
they came within 100 yards of us, and
Wesley and I wanted to get away, but
Uncle Sid said:

"To see us they will have to come
pretty close, and if they come that close
we will open up on them. I'll start with
the pump gun."

"He thought he would kill all he could,"
he said, "and die right there if he had to."
He and Wesley talked this over. They
agreed they would rather be killed than
captured. But the detectives did not see us."

Head Hurt; Refused License.

Lynn, Mass., March 29.—When John C.
Thompson, a wealthy young man of
Lynn, and Miss Violet Wade, of Chicago,
went to the marriage license bureau for
a license the document was refused on
"health grounds." Thompson's head had
been injured some time ago.

SENATOR ROBERT L. TAYLOR.

Of Tennessee, who is dying in his apartment
in Washington, Senator Taylor served two terms as
governor of Tennessee, and gained a wide reputa-
tion as a legislator.

11.55 to Baltimore and Return.

Saturdays and Sundays via Pennsylvania
Railroad. Tickets good returning until
5 p. m. Monday. A regular train except
the Congressional Limited.

Others Will Die Fighting, Says Freel Allen

Young Outlaw Is Captured. Brings Message from His Two Uncles in Hills.

EXPECT DEATH BATTLE

Posse Knows Their Hiding Place
and Will Get Them,
Dead or Alive.

Hillville, Va., March 29.—"It will be a
battle to the death. If the detective
posse take us back to Hillville, it will be
in a wagon, with our toes turned up and
our boots on. And there will be some
of them in the same wagon."

"Neither of us expects to see home or
family again. We have three revolvers
and a pump gun and plenty of ammuni-
tion. If we are sighted, we will shoot
to kill. We will never surrender."

Message from Sidna Allen and
Wesley Edwards was brought into town
this afternoon by young Freel Allen, a
slipshod looking lad of seventeen, who had
been hiding out in the mountain most
of the time since the courthouse slaugh-
ter. He was captured today unresist-
ingly hiding in the carriage house behind
his father's home, eight miles away from
here. He left his uncle Sidna and his
cousin Wesley two nights ago, because
as he expressed it, he was "pissed staved
out."

PLANNING TO SEND TROOPS TO MEXICO; INVASION CERTAIN

Situation Is So Critical that Government Is Negotiating with Big Steamship Lines to Transport Troops.

TWO BATTLE SHIPS ALSO SENT TO NEW ORLEANS 'CELEBRATION'

San Antonio, Tex., March 29.—The afternoon edition of the
Mexican Herald to-day was suppressed by the police, no cause
being assigned for the action. La Prensa and El Pais, Mexican
papers in Mexico City, are also under police supervision, though
allowed to publish censored news.

So critical is the situation in Mexico that the United States gov-
ernment has entered into negotiations with practically every steamship
company operating vessels in the eastern coast trade to transport troops
to that country for the purpose of intervention.

Among these companies are the Southern Pacific, which operates
a line of big ships between New York and New Orleans; the Mallory
Line, which plies between New York and Galveston; the Clyde Line,
operating between New York and Jacksonville, Fla., and the Ward
Line, operating between New York and Havana.

It is understood also that the government is in negotiation
with the United Fruit Company, which owns no fewer than thirty big
ships, many of them new, and all constructed especially for transpor-
tation in the tropics.

It was admitted last night by Quartermaster General J. B. Aleshire
that negotiations for steamship lines for the transportation of troops
are now in progress.

TWO SHIPS ON WAY.

Secretary Meyer announced yesterday
that two first-class battle ships and a
cruiser will be ordered at once to New
Orleans "to participate in the celebra-
tion of the centennial of the admission
of Louisiana into the Union as a State."

It was stated last night, however, that
the real object in sending these ships
to New Orleans was to have them
ready to Veracruz, where it is prob-
able that they will be called upon to
land marines at any time.

Instructions were mailed to Ambassa-
dor Wilson at Mexico City yesterday au-
thorizing him to summon marines to the
aid of the embassy as soon as the situa-
tion becomes serious enough to demand
such action. The gunboat, Wheel-
wright, which has a small body of marines,
is now at Galveston; the cruiser Mont-
gomery at Pensacola; the Nashville at San-
to Domingo; the Paducah at Santa Cruz Del
Sur, Cuba, and the Petrel at Guanta-
namo. All of these ships put together
could only land 200 marines, but these,
added to bluejackets, would afford an
active force of 600 men.

It is for the purpose of re-enforcing
this meager body of men on the coast
of Mexico that the two heavily armed
battle ships and the cruiser will be sent
to New Orleans.

It was given to understand that the
government contemplates a movement of
the entire army during April.

Real regret was expressed by a mem-
ber of the General Staff of the Army
that the recent decision of Attorney
General Wickersham precludes the pos-
sibility of utilizing 6,000 men of the Na-
tional Guard in co-operation with the
regular army without an actual declara-
tion of war.

Fully aware of the plans for the in-
vasion of Mexico, now complete at the
Mexican capital, he expressed belief
that the present force of the mobile
army is much too small for such a cam-
paign. They have been drawn on the
hypothesis that the militia could be em-
ployed in Mexico.

Gen. Miles at White House.

In this connection no little significance
is attached to the fact that for the first
time in many months Gen. Miles
paid a visit to the White House yesterday.
He is recognized as the world's greatest
authority on military strategy, and par-
ticularly in such campaigns as may be
carried on in Mexico.

As drawn by the War College, the cam-
paign in Mexico contemplates movements
by three divisions of troops, one opera-
ting from the Rio Grande, a second from
the east coast in the vicinity of Vera
Cruz, and the third from the Pacific
coast.

American interests in Mexico have been
compromised to no little extent by the
conflict between Ambassador Wilson and
Consul General Shunkin. The latter is
now in Washington making an appeal to
President Taft against the autocratic
and overbearing attitude of the Ambassa-
dor.

Not only has Mr. Wilson insisted on
misrepresenting the facts as to condi-
tions in Mexico, but he has deliberately
insulted dozens of American business
men who appealed for protection for
their property.

It was not until after the arrival of
Consul General Shunkin in Washington
that the President was made aware of
the critical situation in Mexico City.

Within twenty-four hours of the time
that Mr. Shunkin informed him that
Great Britain, Germany and France
had armed their citizens Mr. Taft sent
instructions to Gen. William Crozier,
chief of ordnance, to forward a supply
of arms for the use of Americans in
Mexico City.

So serious is the breach between Wil-
son and Shunkin that the consul general
is making a most vigorous protest against
being returned to Mexico City, and has
asked that he be sent to the Balkan
States.

May Capture Arms.

It was pointed out last night that the
shipment of arms to American citizens
in Mexico City constitutes in itself a
most practical form of intervention. It
recognizes that the Mexican administra-
tion is no longer an effective govern-
ment and it is unable to protect the inter-
ests of foreign residents.

It was suggested that chances are only
even that the arms will ever arrive at
their intended destination, but will be
captured en route by the insurgents. In
discussing the wobbly Mexican admin-
istration yesterday, a friend of the Mex-
ican Herald said:

Lady Warwick in England.

London, March 29.—Lady Warwick ar-
rived at Plymouth to-day from New York.
She said her returning tour in America
had been for the most part a success, the
fatigue incident to the great amount of
railway travel involved.

11.55 Baltimore and Return.

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that negotiations for steamship lines for the transportation of troops
are now in progress.

TWO SHIPS ON WAY.

Secretary Meyer announced yesterday
that two first-class battle ships and a
cruiser will be ordered at once to New
Orleans "to participate in the celebra-
tion of the centennial of the admission
of Louisiana into the Union as a State."

It was stated last night, however, that
the real object in sending these ships
to New Orleans was to have them
ready to Veracruz, where it is prob-
able that they will be called upon to
land marines at any time.

Instructions were mailed to Ambassa-
dor Wilson at Mexico City yesterday au-
thorizing him to summon marines to the
aid of the embassy as soon as the situa-
tion becomes serious enough to demand
such action. The gunboat, Wheel-
wright, which has a small body of marines,
is now at Galveston; the cruiser Mont-
gomery at Pensacola; the Nashville at San-
to Domingo; the Paducah at Santa Cruz Del
Sur, Cuba, and the Petrel at Guanta-
namo. All of these ships put together
could only land 200 marines, but these,
added to bluejackets, would afford an
active force of 600 men.

It is for the purpose of re-enforcing
this meager body of men on the